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**SRI K. PONNIAN:** பரம்பிக்குளம்-ஆளியாறு ப்ராஜக்டில் விவசாய ஆராய்ச்சிப் பண்ணை எந்த இடத்தில் ஸ்தாபிக்கப்படுகிறது?

**THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM:** ஏதாவது ஒரு இடத்தில் ஸ்தாபிக்கப்படும். ஐம்பது ஏக்கர் தகுதியான நிலம் வேண்டும். எந்த இடத்தில் ஸ்தாபித்தாலும் பரம்பிக்குளம்-ஆளியாறு பிராந்தியம் பூராவும் பயன்படும்.

*Package Programme (Thanjavur district)*

* 2094 *Q.*—SRI T. S. RAMASWAMI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state—

(*a*) the additional quantity of fertilisers and cost of mechanical implements and technical assistance given during the last two years to the areas in Thanjavur District under the Package Programme, over and above the normal agricultural assistance given;

(*b*) the additional increase in foodgrains produced in the area; and

(*c*) percentage of increase per acre, per crop?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: (*a*) (*b*) *and* (*c*). A paper [a] is placed on the table of the House.

SRI T. S. RAMASWAMI: May I know whether the Government are satisfied with the results and whether the increase in production in the Package Deal area is commensurate with the expenditure?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: Yes, Sir. The Government are quite well satisfied with the results. Only day-before-yesterday, I have been discussing with the Collector. He told me that in this area the increase in production registered was from 5 per cent to 30 per cent over last year's production.

SRI A. A. RASHEED: From the statement placed on the table of the House, I find that a sum of Rs. 4,40,052 has been incurred on mechanical implements and technical assistance but the cost of additional quantity of fertilisers supplied has not been given? May I know the cost of the additional quantity of fertilisers supplied?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: I may inform the hon. Member that fertilisers are being *sold* to-day and they are not given gratis.

* 2095 *Q.*—SRI A. A. RASHEED: Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state the result of Intensive Agricultural District Programme (Package Programme)?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: It is too early to assess the actual results of the Intensive Agricultural District Programme (Package Programme). Tentative results estimated in

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respect of foodgrains for 1960-61 on the basis of crop cutting experiments have been given in the answer to clauses (*b*) and (*c*) of of Legislative Assembly Question (Starred) No. 2094 from Sri T. S. Ramaswami, M.L.A., which has been placed on the table of the House.

Sri A. A. RASHEED : In view of the good results achieved, may I know whether there is any proposal to extend this to the other districts also?

The Hon. Sri M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : No Sir. There is no proposal to extend it to the other districts. But, in the other districts, we may adopt gradually some of the new methods they have adopted successfully in this district under the Package Deal Programme.

*Thermal Plant in Private Sector*

*** 2096 Q.—Sri M. P. SARATHI and Sri A. A. RASHEED :** கனம் உள்துறை அமைச்சர் தயவுசெய்து கீழ்க்கண்ட கேள்விகளுக்குப் பதிலளிப்பாரா—

(அ) இந்த மாநிலத்தில் தொழில் அதிபர்கள் தனியார் துறையிலிருந்து அனல் மின்சார நிலையம் ஏற்படுத்த அனுமதி கோரினர்களா ?

(இ) அதன்மீது அரசாங்கம் எடுத்த நடவடிக்கை என்ன ?

The Hon. Sri M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (அ) Yes, Sir.

(இ) Certain industrialists have come forward to set up a thermal electric power station in Madras, principally with a view to meeting their own power requirements. The Government of India have been asked to agree to the setting up of thermal plants in the private sector. Detailed proposals from the industrialists are awaited.

Sri A. A. RASHEED : May I know the capacity of the proposed plant and when and where it will be established?

The Hon. Sri M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : I have stated in my answer that some private industrialists have asked for it and it will be located in the centres where their industries are located. One such proposal is for setting up of two generators of 30,000 K.W. each. The Government have agreed to consider the proposal. From the talk I had with a Member of the Planning Commission, I understand that they are not very much favourable to the proposal of the thermal stations being established in the private sector. The whole matter is now under consideration.